



St. George's Anglican Church

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The Feast of Saint John the Evangelist

December 27, 2020



Evangelist Johannes. (c. 1600). Attrib. Crispijn Van Passe I (1574-1637).

Welcome!

Who are we? In response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Parish of Saint George offers a unique combination of traditional Anglican worship and a commitment to Inner-City Ministry. Open to the community that surrounds it, Saint George's dares to be shaped by the Inner City, yet seeks to transform our neighbourhood by preaching, in Word and action, the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Come join us in worship, fellowship and outreach ministry.

10:30am Choral Holy Communion

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Nicholas Hatt, *Rector*

Mass setting: John Merbecke (1510-1585)

Opening Hymn 84 AN exile for the faith

St Ethelwald

The Introit Psalm 92:1-4

tone VIII.1



IT IS A good thing to give thanks unto the *Lord*, /
and to sing praises unto thy Name, O thou Most^High;

To tell of thy loving-kindness in the morn-ing, /
and of thy faithfulness in the night-sea-son;

Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the *lute*, /
with a melo-*dy* up-on the^harp.

For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works; /
and I will rejoice in giving praise for the ope-ra-tions of thy^hands.

Glory be to the Father, and to the *Son*, / and to the Ho-ly^Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, /
world with-out end. A-men.

Please kneel

The Lord's Prayer and Collect for Purity

p. 67

The Summary of the Law

p. 69

The Kyrie

sung by the choir

Lord have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.

The Collect

p. 110

Please sit

The Epistle (1 St John 1:1)

p. 110

Please stand

The Gradual Psalm 92:12-15

tone VIII.1



THE RIGH-TEOUS shall flourish like a *palm* tree, /
and shall spread abroad like a ce-dar in Le-ba^non.

Such as are planted in the house of the Lord /
shall flourish in the courts of our God.

They shall still bring forth fruit in old age, / and shall be full of *sap* and flou-rish-ing;

That they may show how true the Lord is; /
he is my strength and there is no un-righ-teous-ness in^him.

The Holy Gospel (St John 21:19)	p. 111
The Nicene Creed	p. 71
The Sermon	The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, <i>Rector</i>
Offertory Hymn 750 THE first Nowell <i>After the biddings, please kneel</i>	<i>The first nowell</i>
The Prayer of Intercession & Invitation to Confession	p. 75
The Confession	p. 77
The Absolution, Comfortable Words, & Thanksgiving	p. 77
The Sanctus and Benedictus Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.	<i>sung by the choir</i>
The Prayer of Consecration & Pax	p. 82
The Prayer of Humble Access	p. 83
The Agnus Dei O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. (<i>repeat</i>). O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.	<i>sung by the choir</i>
The Holy Communion <i>The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes communicant members of all Churches who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, to receive Holy Communion in faith, hope and charity. At the 10:30 am service, please remain in your pew until the greeter or sidesperson has indicated that it is time to go forward.</i>	
Communion Hymn 736 SEE amid the winter's snow	<i>See amid</i>
The Lord's Prayer	p. 85
The Prayer of Thanksgiving	p. 85
The Gloria in Excelsis	p. 86
The Blessing	p. 86
Closing Hymn 738 UNTO us a boy is born!	<i>Puer nobis nascitur</i>
Voluntary	<i>Noëls – Claude Balbastre (1724-1799)</i>

Upcoming Special Services in the Round Church

Monday, December 28: The Feast of the Holy Innocents will be celebrated at 10am with Holy Communion (said)

Friday, January 1: The Octave Day of Christmas and the Circumcision of Our Lord will be celebrated with Holy Communion (said) at 10am

Services today

8 am Holy Communion begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer. Bulletins for that service are available at the back of the church.

10 am Morning Prayer begins on page 6 of the Prayer Book. Psalms 116 & 117; Exod. 33:9-end; John 13:21-35

5 pm Evening Prayer begins on page 18 of the Prayer Book. Psalm 27; Isa. 6:1-8; 1 John 5:1-12

To learn more about worship, outreach, Sunday School, music, and events at St George's, visit our website: www.roundchurch.ca

Financial Update

Total Budgeted Undesignated Offering for 2020:	\$260,269.21
Budgeted undesignated offering as of the end of November:	\$238,580.11
Total received as of the end of November:	\$222,753.24

Soup Kitchen Update

Since the pandemic, the Soup Kitchen has been operating as a take-out only service. We thank all those who have continued to volunteer, and the parishes and organizations who partner with us to offer hot meals on Saturdays.

Last Week, December 19: Team 5 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers came from Bedford Baptist. 109 were served.

Yesterday, December 26: Team 6 led by Jordan Gracie. Food and volunteers came from St Francis by the Lakes

Next Week, January 2: Team 1 led by Jim Rawding. Food will be leftovers.

Prayer List

To add the name of a loved one to this list, please contact Fr. Hatt (rector@roundchurch.ca).

Let us pray for those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially: Bruce, Jennifer, Rob, Vernon, Marie, Patrick, Travis, Leroy, Debbie, Barbara, Patricia, the Almasalma Family, Evelyn, Lowell, Richard, Wendy, Lauren, Mary, the McAllister Family, Ginny Wilmhoff, Betty-Jane, Barbie, Blake, Bishop Michael, Ash, James, Noah, Ken, Don, and Norman.

For the Faithful Departed: Evangeline Mary Giles ('03), Barbara Smith ('19), Lloyd Tilley ('09), Barbara Elizabeth Conrod ('10), Daina Kulnys ('12), Dewitt Spurgeon Rockwell ('04), Rosemary Mason-Browne ('19), Scott ('20), Gordon Smith ('06), Katherine Pye ('12), Gerald Smith ('07), Mollie Engram ('08), and the Rev'd Bill Fairlie ('19).



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Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Sun – Pray for Christians in other denominations and the work of the ecumenical movement

His Holiness Pope Francis, Bishop of Rome

His All Holiness Archbishop Bartholomew of Constantinople, New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch

The General Secretary of the World Council of Churches

Bishop Ivan M Abrahams, General Secretary World Methodist Council

The Reverend Chris Ferguson, General Secretary of the World Communion of Reformed Churches

Mon – Fond du Lac (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Rev'd Matthew Alan Gunter

Fort Worth (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Rev'd Scott Mayer

Tue – Fredericton (Canada) The Rt Rev'd David Edwards

Freetown (Sierra Leone) (West Africa) The Rt Rev'd Thomas Arnold Ikunika Wilson

Wed – Gahini (Rwanda) The Rt Rev'd Alexis Bilindabagabo

Gambia (West Africa) The Rt Rev'd James Allen Yaw Odico

Thu – Gasabo (Rwanda) The Rt Rev'd Onesphore Rwaje

Gboko (Nigeria) The Rt Rev'd Emmanuel Nyitsse

Fri – The Diocese of Aba – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Aba Province)

Sat – The Diocese of Aba Ngwa North – The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) (Aba Province)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Chignecto Region

Retired Clergy of the Chignecto Region: The Rev'd Frank Likely; The Rev'd David Myles; The Rev'd Lloyd Ripley; The Rev'd Patti McKenna; The Rev'd Beverly DeVouge; The Rev'd Bill Cook; The Rev'd Gary Yetman

Widows: Mrs. Marie Eaton; Mrs. Kay Lane; Mrs. Sheila Leddicote; Mrs. Elinor Mullen; Mrs. Faye Porrior.



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Notices & Announcements
December 27

Worship during the Pandemic

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic means that we must take extra precautions to help prevent the further spread of the virus. While in the church, please ...

- wear a mask;
- clean your hands upon arriving;
- check in with the greeter to record your name;
- do not sit in the pews marked off with a ribbon;
- refrain from shaking hands and try to cough or sneeze into your elbow.

At the time of the Holy Communion (during the 10:30 a.m. service only), please remain seated until the greeter has signaled that it is time for you to go. Those sitting around the outside aisles and the upstairs Gallery will go first, followed by those sitting around the centre aisle.

There are two stations for receiving the Sacrament, one on each side of the Communion rail. We ask that only one person or household go to each station at a time.

Upon leaving the Communion rail, please turn to the left and go through the vestry door or follow the arrows back down the central aisle of the chancel. (The latter may be easier for those with mobility problems).

At the end of the service, please exit the church using the vestry door (side door to your left) or the Brunswick Street doors, leaving your prayer books in the box provided at the door.

At all times, we must observe physical distancing in the church, keeping six feet or two metres from those outside of your family or household.

If you have travelled or have been in direct contact with someone who has travelled outside of the Atlantic 'bubble' within the last fourteen days or are feeling unwell and have symptoms of COVID-19, please do not come to church. Let the Rector know if you are unwell so we can offer our care and our prayers for you.

Worship schedule

Holy Communion (said): Wed, 10 am; Sun, 8 am

Choral Holy Communion: Sun, 10:30 am

Daily Offices

✠**Morning Prayer:** Mon – Fri, 9 am; Sun, 10am

✠**Evening Prayer:** Mon – Fri, 5:30 pm; Sun, 5pm

Daily Office lessons for this week

	Morning Prayer		Evening Prayer	
Sun	Exod. 33. 9-end	John 13. 21-35	Isa. 6. 1-8	1 John 5. 1-12
Mon	Baruch 4. 21-27	Rev. 6. 9-11	Jer. 31. 1-17	Matt. 18. 1-10
Tue	Ruth 1. 1-18	John 1. 14-18	Ruth 1. 19-2. 13	Matt. 11. 2-6
Wed	2. 14-end	3. 16-21	3	16. 13-20
Thu	4. 1-17	6. 41-58	Mic. 4. 8-5. 4	Luke 22. 24-30
Fri	Gen. 17. 1-13	Rom. 2. 17-end	Deut. 30	Col. 2. 8-15
Sat	Isa. 63. 1-6	Matt. 1. 18-end	Isa. 63. 7-end	1 Thess. 1

New BCP "App"

The Prayer Book Society of Canada has recently produced a Book of Common Prayer "app" for Android and Apple phones. You can use it to say the daily office. Just search "Common Prayer Canada" in the Apple Store or on Google Play using your phone.

Online Sunday School Lessons

Since March, our Sunday School has not been able to meet due to the pandemic. However, our Sunday School coordinator has produced some materials for families to use at home to keep up with some of the lessons. This year, our youth are encouraged to learn about God's people in the Bible. We will continue to add to these materials over the next few weeks and months. You can find those lessons at www.roundchurch.ca/sunday-school Some of you who are 'young at heart' might enjoy the lessons, too!

Offerings and Financial Support

We encourage you to continue making your regular weekly offerings to the parish during this time of shutdown. While the parish is doing relatively well financially, we are slightly behind in our target for weekly giving. Cheques can be dropped off to the mail slot in the front door of the church on Brunswick Street or you can make an e-transfer to treasurer@roundchurch. Thank you!

YouthNet Update

Last week was our last week at YouthNet before the Christmas holidays. In proper holiday spirit, we decorated the Christmas tree and made ginger-bread houses with our youth. We also had a Christmas party where we gave a present to each of our participants. Thank you very much to all members of the Parish that bought gifts for some of our youth. We will return to our programming on the 11th of January.

The Parish Office will be closed from Monday, December 28 to Friday, January 1st, reopening on Monday, January 4, 2021.

Christmas Outreach - Thank you

Despite the COVID restrictions we were able to assist 12 families and individuals this year through our Christmas outreach program. A special thank you to Kim Lickers and Scott Connors for their leadership, to Sue Zinck and Tim Chipman for help delivering the boxes, and to all those who donated turkeys and offered financial gifts to support this ministry. Sadly, due to COVID restrictions we could not gather together to wrap the gifts this year, but hopefully next year.

Financial Update from the Treasurer

November ended with another small monthly deficit, reducing our surplus so far this year to about \$33,000. Undesignated offerings (which covers things like salaries, lights, and heat) continue to decline month to month. If current trends continue, the parish should end the year with a small surplus or breaking even. This means that we will have exhausted the reserve we built up during the year. There are a number of confounding factors that make predictions regarding the finances of the parish more difficult than usual. The diocese waived three months of allotment this year and has applied government COVID-19 funding to stipends on our behalf. This has saved the parish around \$30,000 to date. However, undesignated offerings have fallen behind the amount that was asked of us in the budget. They are now \$15,800 below the budgeted amount to the end of November. Recent

donations given for repairs to the Round Church may also have had an impact on our general offerings. I think it important to note for next year that, assuming offerings match the monthly budgeted amount for December, without the COVID mitigation program from the government and diocese we would be facing a \$14,000 shortfall this year.

Speaking of the campaign to raise funds for repairs to the Round Church, we have now reached the goal for this campaign. Thank you! This is both impressive and important. The church building is one of our outward and visible signs in the neighbourhood and a focal point for our collective worship. Thank you all who have supported this work.

Overall, designated offerings (e.g. the Rector's discretionary fund, Christmas outreach, and deaf ministry, among others) are generally doing well. There are a few categories that are well below the amount sought in the budget, and others well above. Feel free to ask myself or Tracy for details if you are interested. Of note is a recent generous offering toward the Curacy Fund. It was made with a hope that it would inspire others to give towards the goal of funding a curate to assist our Rector. A curacy can also be a place for the development of ordained ministers, and as such is important and useful.

It is the usual time of year where the Treasurer hauls out the books and the budget and makes the last ditch appeal to get to the end of the year without a deficit. I have done more than enough of that above but I would encourage you to keep up with your regular offerings so that we finish the year in a strong financial position. Thank you to all of you who have heard Jesus' call, and helped to carry out the work of the parish and the Church with your time, talent, and treasure. Without all of you, we could not do what we do.

"Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matthew 25:40

Al Wilson
Treasurer